

WCBS-TV Quarterly Issues/Program Report – 3rd Quarter October 10, 2021

Attached are the listings of broadcast segments and stories that reflect Channel 2's significant programming treatment of ascertained community issues during the preceding three-month period.

Time period of day, day of week, source and format descriptions follow the first appearance of the broadcast name. Date references refer to broadcast days. All times given are approximate.

Programs

CBS 2 News This Morning, CBS 2 News at Noon, CBS 2 News at 5:00, CBS 2 News at 6:00, CBS 2 News at 11:00, CBS 2 News Saturday, CBS 2 News Sunday - Regularly scheduled news broadcasts focusing on current issues and events.

CBSN New York, 24/7 direct-to-consumer services that stream anchored news coverage and live breaking news events.

60 Minutes - Regularly scheduled one-hour weekly broadcast featuring in-depth interviews and reports of various lengths and topics. Sunday, 7 - 8 p.m.

Face the Nation - Regularly scheduled half hour news broadcast featuring reports and interviews with government leaders, politicians, and international figures in the news. Sunday, 10:30 – 11 a.m.

48 Hours – Regularly scheduled news broadcast. Saturday, 10 - 11 p.m.

“Health Watch” – features of varying lengths focusing on health related issues, the latest in medical research and treatments, and other health related topics.

“Money Watch” – features of varying lengths focusing on the latest in the economy along with tips and ways to save money.

Public Service Announcements- WCBS-TV continues its tradition of airing and sponsoring PSAs. PSAs in rotation stem from various organizations that include topics such as, Suicide Prevention Month, Breast Cancer Awareness, and The Valarie Fund.

Health: Topics in this category include mainly COVID-19 vaccinations the delta variant, and brain health.

CBS 2 NEWS AT 12:00 PM 7/21 CBS2's Jessica Layton reports that the life span for Americans has gotten shorter. The new government data shows life expectancy in the U.S. has reached the lowest level since 2003, with people living on average just over 77 years. The biggest culprit: Covid deaths. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM** 7/19 CBS2's Kristine Johnson tells us that there are growing concerns over the delta variant as it is spreading rapidly in the United States. Locally the highly contagious strain makes up the majority of new COVID-19 cases. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommended everyone over the age of two wear masks this coming school year and the CDC issued a travel warning for the United Kingdom, saying even fully vaccinated travelers could be at risk for getting and spreading the variant. 7/29 CBS2's Hazel Sanchez tells us that a new study says eating foods high in flavonoids may be good for your brain health. Researchers at Harvard University found that people who ate about 600 milligrams of flavonoids per day had a 20 percent lower risk of cognitive decline than those who ate less. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM** Dana Tyler tells us that the New York City's Health Department is investigating a Legionnaires' cluster in Central Harlem. Health officials say there have been 9 cases since last week. Those infected have experienced flu-like symptoms including fever and cough. The health department is sampling water in the area.

Government and Politics: Topics in this category include: Troubles in city jails and the new NYC governor.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING 8/27 CBS2's Chris Wragge tells us that the federal government has announced plans to temporarily close a troubled jail in Lower Manhattan. The Metropolitan Correctional Center will shut down as officials deal with security concerns and complaints about crumbling infrastructure. The Justice Department didn't say how long it will be closed. Inmates are expected to be transferred to a federal jail in Brooklyn. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM** CBS2's Marcia Kramer reports that Letitia James and two lead investigators revealed their findings of the sexual harassment report on Governor Andrew Cuomo. They include evidence that the governor harassed multiple women both current and former state employees and women inside and outside of state government. The report was damning, including phrases like "intimidating" and "retaliation" and calling the executive chamber a "hostile work environment". **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM** CBS2's Marcia Kramer tells us that amid ongoing violence and massive staff shortage on Rikers Island, Governor Kathy Hochul signed the "Less is More" Act that changes parole standards so parolees won't be sent back to jail for technical violations.

Education: Topics in this category include: classroom capacity, Pre-K, returning to in-person learning.

CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM 9/16 Maurice DuBois tells us that New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy is expanding Pre-K in the state, saying that educating children at a younger age is critical. He announced that 17 million dollars has been awarded to 19 school districts, to add 1,100 Pre-K slots. **CBS 2 NEWS SATURDAY AT 11:00 PM** Jessica Moore reports that P.S. 79 in East Harlem is being shut down. Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer says there are 19 confirmed Covid cases at the school. The Department of Education says the positive cases were all among staff members. Students will learn remotely until the school reopens on September 28th.

Consumer: Topics in this category include: sunscreens, dog food recalls, and thousands of hoverboards.

CBS 2 NEWS AT 12:00 PM: 7/20 Mary Calvi reports that Pfizer is recalling a dozen lots of “Chantix”, after finding higher levels of a chemical that may be linked to cancer risk. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00PM:** 7/15 CBS2’s Kristine Johnson reports that Johnson & Johnson is recalling five brands after a cancer-causing chemical was found in some samples. The company has voluntarily recalled four Neutrogena sunscreens as well as its Aveeno Protect and Fresh product after finding low levels of the chemical Benzene in samples. 7/19 CBS2’s Dick Brennan tells us that Ford is recalling almost 775,000 Explorer SUV’s. The recall applies to 2013-2017 models of the Explorer. It comes after six injuries were reported due to steering issues. Ford is also recalling nearly 25,000 2020 and 2021 F-350 Super Duty trucks and more than 40,000 2020 and 2021 Lincoln Aviators. Issues with those vehicles have not led to any injuries. 7/30 CBS2’s Dick Brennan tells us that there is a nationwide dog food recall. Sunshine Mills is recalling 6 brands of its dog foods. The company says the products may have elevated levels of mold. The mold can grow on corn and other grains in pet food ingredients. Elevated mold levels can make pets sick or even cause deaths. 8/27 Kristine Johnson reports that more than 200,000 hoverboards are being recalled. The recall is for the Hovertrax 2.0 hoverboards made by Razor USA. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission says the board’s removable lithium-ion battery packs can overheat and catch fire. There have been at least 20 reported incidents, but no injuries.

Crime: Topics in this category include: a hit and run, anti-Muslim attack, and the increase in gun violence

CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM 7/19 CBS2's Andrea Grymes tells us that the search continues for a dirt bike rider who police say hit and injured a little boy in Queens and then took off. The 4-year-old was taken to a hospital in critical condition after a hit-and-run. Police say the boy was struck by an illegal dirt bike in the Meadow Lake boat rental parking lot inside Flushing Meadows-Corona Park. Many parkgoers said speeding riders often come through the area on the weekends. 8/24 CBS2's Thalia Perez tells us that a former Wyandanch High School star running back was gunned down on Long Island. The victim's sister says her brother and a female friend were in front of the home at 61 Lake Drive when a gunman rolled up and opened fire. So far no arrests have been made. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM** 8/18 Dana Tyler tells us that the NYPD's Hate Crime Task Force is trying to find the suspect who vandalized a pride flag in Queens. It happened outside a house on 190th Street in Fresh Meadows. The vandal can be seen taking the flag down and stomping on it. He then rode off on a scooter along with a second person. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM** 9/14 CBS2's Thalia Perez tells us that a woman who had just spent her evening celebrating her own baby shower was shot and killed in front of her home. Police say the shooting happened just after 1 a.m. Saturday. Neighbors said the woman was loading gifts into the lobby of her building with her current boyfriend and family when a man opened fire, shooting her in the head